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April 12, 2013

TO:

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FROM:

Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H. CHILLIAN Director and Health Officer

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT A NOTICE OF AWARD FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR TUBERCULOSIS ELIMINATION AND LABORATORY

**SERVICES** 

This is to notify you that I am exercising delegated authority approved by your Board on May 11, 2010, to accept and execute future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Notice of Award (NA) Grant Number 2U52PS900455-29 that allow for the rollover of any unspent grant funds, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office (CEO), and notification to your Board.

On February 20, 2013, I notified your Board that I was accepting NA Number 5U52PS900455-32 in the amount of \$3,393,185 which represents 75 percent of the total anticipated award of \$4,524,247 for calendar year (CY) 2013, at no net County cost, to support the continuation of tuberculosis (TB) elimination and laboratory services provided by the Department of Public Health (DPH).

Additionally, on February 20, 2013, I notified your Board that I was accepting NA Number 5U52PS900455-32 REVISED in the amount of \$82,819, to carry over unobligated funds from CY 2012 to CY 2013 to support personnel and public health laboratory costs.

Under the delegated authority referenced above, I will accept NA Grant Number 5U52PS900455-32 REVISED, issued by the CDC on March 22, 2013, to approve the carryover of \$145,500 of unobligated funds from CY 2012 to CY 2013, increasing the approved budget for CY 2013 from \$3,476,004 to \$3,621,504 to support DPH's response to the outbreak of TB among homeless persons in the downtown Los Angeles Skid Row area.

This funding will be used for the purchase of portable radiology services and Interferon Gamma Release Assay testing services to support field-based contact investigation activities related to a TB outbreak among homeless persons, and to implement recommendations from the CDC Epi-Aid investigation.

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County Counsel has reviewed and approved the NA as to form. County Counsel and the CEO have reviewed and approved this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer County Counsel Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors